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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL COURT OF CALIFORNIA

EDCV19-00122

CASE NO.:

COMPLAINT FOR:

1. FALSE ARREST (42 USC 1983)
2. MALICIOUS PROSECUTION
3. CRIMINAL DEFENSE
REIMBURSEMENT
4. PUNITIVE DAMAGES

MELODY THOMPSON,

Plaintiff,

v.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY SHERIFF
DEPARTMENT, OFFICER MOON, as an
individual, and Does 1-30

Defendants.

Plaintiff, [Melody Thompson], alleges as follows:

I.

JURISDICTION

1. This civil action is brought for the redress of alleged deprivations of Constitutional rights as protected by on 42 U.S.C. 1983, 1983 and the First, Fourth and Fourteenth Amendments of the United States Constitution. Jurisdiction is founded on 28 U.S.C. 1331 AND 1343 (1), (2), (3) and (4), and the aforementioned statutory and Constitutional provisions.

II.

VENUE

2. Venue is proper in the Central District of California. The injury occurred

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1 in the County of Riverside, CA On information and belief, the plaintiff alleges that defendants
2 reside with the jurisdictional limits of this court.

3 **III.**

4 **PARTIES**

5 3. Plaintiff is an individual who at all times resided in the State of California, County of
6 Riverside.

7 4. Plaintiff Melody Thompson, is suing for violations of her civil rights under 42 U.S.C.
8 1983.

9 5. At all times mentioned herein, defendants, and each of them , were and now are
10 Residents of the County of Riverside, State of California.

11 6. At all times mentioned herein, defendant, Riverside County Sheriff is and at all times
12 Mentioned herein, was a duly organized public entity, form unknown, and existing under laws of
13 State of California.

14 7. Plaintiff is informed and believe, and upon such information and belief alleges that
15 Defendant OFFICER MOON, is, and at all times herein mentioned was an individual residing in the
16 County of Riverside , State of California, and that at all times relevant to the Complaint is, and was,
17 a duly appointed and acting as an officer of the Riverside County Sheriff Department, acting under
18 color of law, to wit, under color of the statutes, ordinances, regulations, policies, customs and usages
19 Of the COUNTY of Riverside, and/or the State of California.

20 **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS**

21 1. This action is brought and initiated by Melody Thompson under the laws and protection
22 of Riverside County for False Arrest and Malicious Prosecution. By this action, Melody Thompson
23 seeks to hold Officer Moon responsible for false arrest and the failure of Riverside County

24 Sheriff Department to protect Melody Thompson from such actions. Additionally,
25 The Riverside County Sheriff Department became complicit when the filed unwarranted
26 criminal charges against Melody Thompson in the City of Riverside,in the State of California.

27 2. Plaintiff is a residence of Lake Elsinore, California and herein remains.
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25 3. The Plaintiff is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendant
26 is a Riverside County Sheriff located in the City of Riverside in the State of California.
27 The Principal place of administration for the Riverside County Sheriff is at the County Building.

28 4. Melody Thompson is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Riverside
29 County Sheriffs, agents, directors, representatives, employees, officials, or affiliates, at all times
30 relevant to this action had a legal and supervisory interest in Officer Moon, whether as
31 directors, administrators, employers, officials, affiliates, superiors, counselors, or managing
32 officers as alleged herein.

33 5. Melody Thompson is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges that the Riverside
34 County Sheriff Department is responsible to protect citizens appropriately from inappropriate conduct
35 in some manner consistent to those rules under the State and Federal Constitution as alleged herein.

36 6. Melody Thompson is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that Defendant,
37 Riverside County Sheriff Department (hereinafter“RCSD”) is responsible for regulation and supervision
38 of Officer Moon, of, officers, supervisors, directors, employees, officials, or affiliates, at
39 all times relevant to this action had legal interest in Officer Moon as
40 director, administrator, officials, affiliates, representatives, overseers, directors, agent, or
41 managing officers failed in that capacity to prevent further harassment as alleged herein.

42 7. Melody Thompson is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, RCSD
43 is therefore, responsible in some manner for the derelict of duties contrary and in
44 violation of not following State and United State Codes against False Arrest as alleged herein.

45 8. Melody Thompson is further informed and believes, and based thereon alleges
46 RCSD has an legal interest in Officer Moon, whether as an, director, officer,
47 manager, representative, employer, and/or affiliate, and is, therefore,
48 responsible in some manner for the false arrest actions of Officer Moon as alleged herein.

49 9. Melody Thompson is informed and believes, that Defendant, Officer Moon
25 is an Officer at the Riverside County Sheriff Department.

26 Melody Thompson encountered Officer Moon at the Old Court House in Riverside,
27 California, Shortly thereafter, Melody Thompson was falsely arrested.

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1 10. The true names and capacities of DOES 1 through 30, inclusive, are unknown to
2 the Plaintiff, which therefore sues said defendants by such fictitious names pursuant to Code
3 of Civil Procedure section 474. When the true names and capacities of said fictitiously named
4 defendants have been ascertained, the Plaintiff will seek leave of this Court to amend this
5 Complaint to insert the true names and capacities of said defendants in lieu of such fictitious
6 names.

7 11. Melody Thompson is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that at all
8 relevant to this action, DOES 1 through 30, inclusive, have a legal interest in Officer
9 Moon and the appropriate supervision of officers located thereon, whether as directors,
10 officers, manager, counselors, employers, employees, administrators, affiliates,
11 agents, or managing officers.

12 12. Whenever in this Complaint reference is made to any act of Defendants, such
13 allegation shall be deemed to mean each and every individually named Defendant, their
14 officers, directors, agents, managers, representatives, employees, or affiliates, or DOES 1
15 through 30, inclusive, who authorized such acts while engaged in the supervision,
16 management, direction or control of the affairs of Defendants at the Defendants' direction,
17 while acting within the course and scope of their duties.

18 13. Petitioner had a court hearing at the Riverside County Court House on January
19 20, 2017 in Department 8 for a trust litigation hearing on an 850 petition. Petitioner's court time
20 was changed. She decided to go back to the car to inform her son to wait to pay for parking. As
21 the Petitioner started to leave the building, she saw two people in the metal detector area, one
22 sitting in the chair while the other performed metal detector procedures. Petitioner asked a
23 simple question regarding the time change." Clerks change the time," stated the worker.

24 14. Petitioner responds, ' I'm glad that Trump is being inaugurated today, because
25 the government will be given back to the people.' The person sitting in the chair responded, I
26 don't like Trump because he's racist. Petitioner said," oh, no, he's not racist, but you must view
27 many news outlets for the proper assessment." The worker replies, "I don't want to hear this!!"

28 15. Petitioner invited the lady to further their discussion and they both started walking

1 toward the courtyard. As Petitioner looked up, Sheriffs were aggressively walking toward her.

2 16. The female officer was yelling, "leave the court house now!" Petitioner was in
3 shock. She wondered if she was speaking to her. As Moon continued to yell and got closer,
4 she seemed out of control. At that point, Petitioner requested to speak to a watch commander,
5 she stated, 'you are under arrest. She then aggressively hand cuffed Petitioner and pushed her
6 into the metal detector area. Petitioner again, asked to speak to the watch commander.

7 17. A Corporal Officer, Identified himself as the watch commander. He allowed Moon
8 to stay in control. They then paraded Petitioner through the court house to a basement area.
9 Moon continued her abusive behavior and searched Petitioner's brief case. The actual watch com
10 -mander, and a sergeant joined the officers. They were questioning the Petitioner. She said, "if
11 she is under arrest, she would speak only to her attorney." The sergeant explained, she was only
12 being detained. If she cooperated there would be no arrest. They kept trying to make Petitioner
13 agree that she did something worthy of being arrested. She would not agree because she did
14 nothing wrong. Petitioner told them that it was very important she gets to her hearing. They had
15 informed the judge they had her. This also horrified her as she needed the judge to view her in
16 a positive light. They held her for approximately 70 minutes. They then cited and let her go.

17 18. Petitioner's whole future flashed before her eyes. She wouldn't be able to continue
18 law school and would lose all her current licenses. Petitioner therefore hired a criminal defense
19 attorney to defend herself against the false allegations. The District Attorney rejected the case.

20 **FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION**

21 **(False Arrest) 42 U.S. Code ss 1983**

22 19. Plaintiff repeat and reallege as if fully set forth herein the allegation set forth in
23 allegations contained in paragraphs number 1 through 18.

24 20. Officer Moon falsely arrested Melody Thompson. In the United States our right
25 to move freely is a civil right. That right cannot be violated lightly. Officer Moon did not
26 follow proper protocol of a reasonable officer before making an arrest. The RCSD breached
27 their duty when it failed to protect Melody Thompson from the further bullying of others
28 in addition to Moon. Officer Moon was the direct and proximate cause of the false arrest.

1 Melody Thompson was humiliated as she was paraded through the Court House in front of
2 her adversaries to whom she had to face in court soon after. She was further harassed after the
3 false arrest as the sheriffs followed her into her court room. She struggled to maintain her
4 demeanor as she argued her case for the sake of her law suit and others relying on her.
5 The Sheriffs remained in the court room as she argued her case. This action could have further
6 prejudiced the judge against her as the Sheriffs already informed the judge earlier that they
7 had Melody Thompson in custody. Petitioner lost her case in the sum of \$200,000.00

8 **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

9 **(Malicious Prosecution) Code 1501**

10 21. Plaintiff repeat and reallege as if fully set forth herein the allegations contained
11 In paragraphs numbered 1-18.

12 22. That the Defendant Riverside County Sheriff Department filed intentional
13 criminal charges against Melody Thompson. The defendant had access to a video that
14 demonstrated that Officer Moon had no constitutional grounds to arrest Melody Thompson.
15 Regardless, the Riverside County Sheriff's Department still proceeded with criminal charges.
16 Melody Thompson attempted to gain justice by reporting the incident to the Riverside
17 County Sheriff's Department, but was informed that she could not launch a complaint as
18 long as criminal charges were pending against her. This time framed was extended
19 due to her arrest date being changed. The Riverside County Sheriff's claimed that they could
20 not legible read the arrest date. Melody Thompson, then proceeded to contact other
21 government entities that could assist her in obtaining justice, but was constantly redirected
22 back to the officers that originally harassed and attempted to intimidate her in the basement
23 of the Riverside County Old Court House.

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25 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

26 **To the first cause of action**

27 WHEREFORE Plaintiff respectfully request that judgment be granted as follows:

28 Awarding compensatory damages for reimbursement for being falsely arrested and humiliated

1 prior to a trust hearing in the sum of \$200,000.00. In addition pursuant to code: 4372,
2 the plaintiff's pain and suffering as authorized under United States Civil code.

3 **As to the second cause of action**

4 WHEREFORE Plaintiff respectfully request that judgment be granted as follows:
5 Award compensatory damages for reimbursement to defend against a malicious lawsuit
6 Infliction distress/and loss wages in the sum of \$25,000. In addition, RCSD were aware
7 of this type of harassment being perpetrated against American Citizen, but did nothing
8 to correct it. Plaintiff is requesting punitive damages as well as pain and suffering as
9 authorized under United States civil code 4372. And any additional compensation
10 or relief that the court sees fit.

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12 Law Firm: Pro Se

13 Plaintiff: Melody Thompson

14 Signature Melody Thompson

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17 **REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL**

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19 Plaintiff request trial by jury.

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21 Signature Melody Thompson

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I. (a) PLAINTIFFS (Check box if you are representing yourself ☐)

DEFENDANTS (Check box if you are representing yourself ☐)

MELODY THOMPSON

OFFICER MOON

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES) RIVERSIDE

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

(c) Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number) If you are representing yourself, provide the same information.

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Attorneys (Firm Name, Address and Telephone Number) If you are representing yourself, provide the same information.

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an X in one box only.)

- ☐ 1. U.S. Government Plaintiff
☐ 2. U.S. Government Defendant
☒ 3. Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
☐ 4. Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES-For Diversity Cases Only
(Place an X in one box for plaintiff and one for defendant)

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| Citizen of This State | PTF <input type="checkbox"/> 1 DEF <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in this State | PTF <input type="checkbox"/> 4 DEF <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| Citizen of Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | Foreign Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 |

IV. ORIGIN (Place an X in one box only.)

- ☒ 1. Original Proceeding ☐ 2. Removed from State Court ☐ 3. Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4. Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5. Transferred from Another District (Specify) ☐ 6. Multidistrict Litigation - Transfer ☐ 8. Multidistrict Litigation - Direct File

V. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT: JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No (Check "Yes" only if demanded in complaint.)

CLASS ACTION under F.R.Cv.P. 23: ☐ Yes ☒ No MONEY DEMANDED IN COMPLAINT: \$

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION (Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write a brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)

Violation of Civil Rights ((42U.S.C. 1983)

VII. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an X in one box only.)

OTHER STATUTES	CONTRACT	REAL PROPERTY CONT.	IMMIGRATION	PRISONER PETITIONS	PROPERTY RIGHTS
<input type="checkbox"/> 375 False Claims Act	<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land	<input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application	Habeas Corpus:	<input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights
<input type="checkbox"/> 376 Qui Tam (31 USC 3729(a))	<input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine	<input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 463 Alien Detainee 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence	<input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent
<input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment	<input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act	<input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	TORTS	<input type="checkbox"/> 530 General	<input type="checkbox"/> 835 Patent - Abbreviated New Drug Application
<input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust	<input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument	PERSONAL INJURY	PERSONAL PROPERTY	<input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty	<input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark
<input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking	<input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment	<input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane	<input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud	Other:	SOCIAL SECURITY
<input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/Etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act	<input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending	<input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus/Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff)
<input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation	<input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loan (Excl. Vet.)	<input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander	<input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage	<input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923)
<input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Org.	<input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Vet. Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> 330 Fed. Employers' Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition	<input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405 (g))
<input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit	<input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits	<input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine	BANKRUPTCY	<input type="checkbox"/> 560 Civil Detainee Conditions of Confinement	<input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI
<input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV	<input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	<input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405 (g))
<input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange	<input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157	<input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881	FEDERAL TAX SUITS
<input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	<input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability	CIVIL RIGHTS	<input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant)
<input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts	REAL PROPERTY	<input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights	LABOR	<input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS-Third Party 26 USC 7609
<input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters	<input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation	<input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury-Med Malpractice	<input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting	<input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act	
<input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Info. Act	<input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure	<input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury-Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment	<input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations	
<input type="checkbox"/> 896 Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment	<input type="checkbox"/> 367 Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations	<input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act	
<input type="checkbox"/> 899 Admin. Procedures Act/Review of Appeal of Agency Decision		<input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 445 American with Disabilities-Employment	<input type="checkbox"/> 751 Family and Medical Leave Act	
<input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes			<input type="checkbox"/> 446 American with Disabilities-Other	<input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation	
			<input type="checkbox"/> 448 Education	<input type="checkbox"/> 791 Employee Ret. Inc. Security Act	

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***VIII. VENUE:** Your answers to the questions below will determine the division of the Court to which this case will be initially assigned. This initial assignment is subject to change, in accordance with the Court's General Orders, upon review by the Court of your Complaint or Notice of Removal.

QUESTION A: Was this case removed from state court? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "no," skip to Question B. If "yes," check the box to the right that applies, enter the corresponding division in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.	STATE CASE WAS PENDING IN THE COUNTY OF:	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo	INITIAL DIVISION IN CACD IS: Western
	<input type="checkbox"/> Orange	Southern
	<input type="checkbox"/> Riverside or San Bernardino	Eastern

QUESTION B: Is the United States, or one of its agencies or employees, a PLAINTIFF in this action? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "no," skip to Question C. If "yes," answer Question B.1, at right.	B.1. Do 50% or more of the defendants who reside in the district reside in Orange Co? check one of the boxes to the right →	YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Southern Division. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter "Southern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO. Continue to Question B.2.
	B.2. Do 50% or more of the defendants who reside in the district reside in Riverside and/or San Bernardino Counties? (Consider the two counties together.) check one of the boxes to the right →	YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Eastern Division. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter "Eastern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		NO. Your case will initially be assigned to the Western Division. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter "Western" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.

QUESTION C: Is the United States, or one of its agencies or employees, a DEFENDANT in this action? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "no," skip to Question D. If "yes," answer Question C.1, at right.	C.1. Do 50% or more of the plaintiffs who reside in the district reside in Orange Co? check one of the boxes to the right →	YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Southern Division. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter "Southern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO. Continue to Question C.2.
	C.2. Do 50% or more of the plaintiffs who reside in the district reside in Riverside and/or San Bernardino Counties? (Consider the two counties together.) check one of the boxes to the right →	YES. Your case will initially be assigned to the Eastern Division. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter "Eastern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.
		NO. Your case will initially be assigned to the Western Division. <input type="checkbox"/> Enter "Western" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there.

QUESTION D: Location of plaintiffs and defendants?	A. Orange County	B. Riverside or San Bernardino County	C. Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo County
Indicate the location(s) in which 50% or more of <i>plaintiffs</i> who reside in this district reside. (Check up to two boxes, or leave blank if none of these choices apply.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indicate the location(s) in which 50% or more of <i>defendants</i> who reside in this district reside. (Check up to two boxes, or leave blank if none of these choices apply.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D.1. Is there at least one answer in Column A? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "yes," your case will initially be assigned to the SOUTHERN DIVISION. Enter "Southern" in response to Question E, below, and continue from there. If "no," go to question D2 to the right. →	D.2. Is there at least one answer in Column B? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "yes," your case will initially be assigned to the EASTERN DIVISION. Enter "Eastern" in response to Question E, below. If "no," your case will be assigned to the WESTERN DIVISION. Enter "Western" in response to Question E, below. ↓
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QUESTION E: Initial Division?	INITIAL DIVISION IN CACD
Enter the initial division determined by Question A, B, C, or D above: →	EASTERN

QUESTION F: Northern Counties? Do 50% or more of plaintiffs or defendants in this district reside in Ventura, Santa Barbara, or San Luis Obispo counties? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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IX(a). IDENTICAL CASES: Has this action been previously filed in this court?

☒ NO

☐ YES

If yes, list case number(s): _____

IX(b). RELATED CASES: Is this case related (as defined below) to any civil or criminal case(s) previously filed in this court?

☒ NO

☐ YES

If yes, list case number(s): _____

Civil cases are related when they (check all that apply):

- ☐ A. Arise from the same or a closely related transaction, happening, or event;
- ☐ B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or
- ☐ C. For other reasons would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges.

Note: That cases may involve the same patent, trademark, or copyright is not, in itself, sufficient to deem cases related.

A civil forfeiture case and a criminal case are related when they (check all that apply):

- ☐ A. Arise from the same or a closely related transaction, happening, or event;
- ☐ B. Call for determination of the same or substantially related or similar questions of law and fact; or
- ☐ C. Involve one or more defendants from the criminal case in common and would entail substantial duplication of labor if heard by different judges.

**X. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY
 (OR SELF-REPRESENTED LITIGANT):**

Micael Shup

DATE: 1/22/19

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Key to Statistical codes relating to Social Security Cases:

Nature of Suit Code	Abbreviation	Substantive Statement of Cause of Action
861	HIA	All claims for health insurance benefits (Medicare) under Title 18, Part A, of the Social Security Act, as amended. Also, include claims by hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, etc., for certification as providers of services under the program. (42 U.S.C. 1935FF(b))
862	BL	All claims for "Black Lung" benefits under Title 4, Part B, of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969. (30 U.S.C. 923)
863	DIWC	All claims filed by insured workers for disability insurance benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended; plus all claims filed for child's insurance benefits based on disability. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))
863	DIWW	All claims filed for widows or widowers insurance benefits based on disability under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))
864	SSID	All claims for supplemental security income payments based upon disability filed under Title 16 of the Social Security Act, as amended.
865	RSI	All claims for retirement (old age) and survivors benefits under Title 2 of the Social Security Act, as amended. (42 U.S.C. 405 (g))